

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

April 24, 2009

Mr. Paul Hoag, Treasurer
Ohio Republican Party State Central &
Executive Committee
211 S. Fifth Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Response Due Date: May 26, 2009

Identification Number: C00162339

Reference:

Amended Year End Report (11/25/08 – 12/31/08), received 2/17/09

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 12 items:

1. Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.2(d) prohibit a state, district or local party committee (combined) from receiving any contribution from a multicandidate political committee in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.